2. Chaos would result and there would be no queue to jump.

3. Marriage vows – for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health until someone better comes along. Promises commit you to something even if it becomes inconvenient. Going to the not-so-cool party the invitation to which you accepted first and not ditching it for a cooler party to which you were invited later.

5. Humans have a tendency to “special pleading” – our natural egoism means we think that although rules generally should be respected we are special and they do not apply to *us.* We might lie to a friend about something that we considered a “white lie” but would be furious if our friend did the same to us.

6. Think of yourself in two ways – me and one amongst others. Do as you would be done by is a concept that appears in most world religions. Universal value??

7. Get two children to share a cake fairly. Child one cuts it and child two has first pick of which “half” to take.

8. Your friend borrows your laptop and drops it by accident. He replaces it with all the software and files etc. No real lose.

You are in hospital dying of an incurable disease. Your parents come and weep at your bedside every day. Then one day they come to tell you they have some good news. Although you will still die, the doctors say they can clone you so that after your death they can replace you. The clone will not be exactly like you but will look like you and in many ways behave as you do. They will give the clone your bedroom and possessions. Isn’t this wonderful news? What would you think? How could they consider replacing *you?*  You are a unique individual and unike a broken computer you cannot simply be replaced by someone genetically identical to you.

10. What happens if you feel like helping someone today but not tomorrow or two people are in the same situation but you only feel like helping person x because you like them more? Would you decision be morally correct? Kant says only has moral value if you act on duty. For example 1 and 2 = hidden benefits.

12. Knife wielding maniac bursts into the classroom threatening to kill Mr O, who hides in the cupboard (very sensibly!). Maniac demands to know where Mr O is. On basis of m. absolutism you calmly reply “He’s in the cupboard”. No-one will congratulate you on your consistency.

13. Which two moral principles are in conflict in the above examples? Kant’s approach leaves us no way to rank our duties and therefore resolve our moral dilemmas.

14. Is it not better that a wife helps her husband because she loves him and wants to help rather than because it is her duty? Why do people risk smuggling others over borders when there is a real danger to themselves and their families? E.g. Jews in WWII Or ship’s crew making sure everyone is on the lifeboats before disembarking themselves? A natural human impulse is to help.

16. Utilitometer – measures pleasure through your central nervous system. Sends sum of pleasure to central computer which calculates the nations Gross National Happiness each day.

18. Should the happiness of all living creatures be taken into consideration?

19. Might you be bored if you had “everything” you wanted? What would you strive for? Would those pleasures have the same value as if you only had a few? Do we always recognise at the time when we are happy or is it often more in retrospect?

20. Might not work out with new partner. Husband might kill himself/find another partner and live happily ever after while wife and new partner are miserable. Can’t predict outcome with certainty. Doctor saves life of mother and child in difficult birth (from Roald Dahl’s “Genesis and Catastrophe” . Book ends with doctor saying “You’ll be all right now, Mrs Hitler.”

22. Malicious – sadist who beats up a masochist. Mugger who gets a buzz out of what he does. Do they make the world a better place (they have increased GNH) If the mugger really enjoys what he does, then he has increased GNH even more and so the world is an even better place. Empty – shopping, eating chocolate, not bad in themselves but should not be our exclusive purpose in life. Brave New World (Huxley) – genetically engineered to be happy and “soma” available to keep them on a permanent high but still controlled. Is this really making the world a better place?

23. You are a dinner party and the food is awful. Your host asks if you are enjoying the meal. Reply based on Kant/utilitarianism?

24. Killing Smith obvious correct course of action as can save two others with his body parts and also make their families happy while only upsetting Smith. BUT if you live in a society where it is not safe to go to hospital for minor procedures you will put off going. If you live somewhere where unpopular people are killed you might worry if people seemed not to like you too much. In both cases fear would increase and this would have a negative effect on GNH. There are in fact good utilitiarian reasons to protect people’s rights.

25. No hard and fast rule. No replacement for good judgement.

26. From utilitarianist point of view/kantian point of view? Self-interest theory? Moral relativist point of view?

A. how many people would be made unhappy by the birth of the unwanted child? How many people made happy by lack of baby? B. only junkies who are affected adversely? What about their families? what about those they rob or mug for drug money (even legal drugs need paying for) what are the motives behind the legalisation? More taxes? Less policing? Lots of happy, high people? C. expressing racist/sexist etc language, if you really believe it/are with others who believe it. Promoting violence/criminal actions, because you think others have more than you etc.